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1. ON FEBRUARY 11, JOYCE PHONED TIMERBAEV. NOTING SOVIET REQUEST REGARDING AVOIDANCE OF DISCUSSION OF OBSERVERS IN PLENARIES IN ROUND I, HE SAID US WISHED TO ADDRESS SUBJECT AGAIN, AND PLANNED TO DO SO IN FEBRUARY 12 PLENARY. TIMERBAEV CONFIRMED EARLIER SOVIET REQUEST AND SAID IT STILL REPRESENTS SOVIET PREFERENCE. HE THEN SUGGESTED MOROKHOV-STOESSEL MEETING FEBRUARY 12 TO CLARIFY SITUATION. ACCORDINGLY, FOLLOWING FEBRUARY 12 PLENARY, STOESSEL, BUCHHEIM AND IFFT MET WITH MOROKHOV, TIMERBAEV AND SAFRONOV PLUS INTERPRETERS IN RESTRICTED SESSION.

2. STOESSEL RECALLED SOVIET REQUEST IN PREVIOUS PHASE THAT SIDES AVOID DISCUSSION OF OBSERVERS OR REPRESENTATIVES IN PLENARIES. US DEL HAD RESPECTED SOVIET WISHES IN THIS REGARD. HE SAID US DEL HAS NEW INSTRUCTIONS FOR CURRENT PHASE AND OBSERVERS ARE IMPORTANT ASPECT OF US POSITION. US SIDE IS PREPARED TO DISCUSS IN DETAIL FUNCTIONS AND ACTIVITIES OF THESE OBSERVERS AND IS PLANNING TO BEGIN THIS PROCESS AT FEBRUARY 14

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PLENARY. HOWEVER, US WANTS TO PROCEED IN MANNER MOST CONDUCIVE

TO PROGRESS. STOESSEL SAID HIS OWN VIEW IS THAT PLENARIES ARE APPROPRIATE FORUM IN WHICH TO PRESENT US POSITION, WITH SOVIET RESPONSE GIVEN IN WAY SOVIET SIDE DEEMS APPROPRIATE. HE THEN ASKED SOVIET VIEW, NOTING THAT SIDES HAD FOUND MIXTURE OF PLENARIES AND SMALLER GROUP SESSIONS USEFUL IN PAST.

3. REFERRING TO US PLENARY STATEMENT, MOROKHOV FIRST SAID HE HAD NOTED WITH GREAT SATISFACTION THAT US POSITION HAS CHANGED SOMEWHAT IN DIRECTION OF GREATER CLARITY. TURNING TO QUESTION OF OBSERVERS, MOROKHOV ACKNOWLEDGED EARLIER SOVIET REQUEST, BUT SAID THIS WAS NOT A SUBJECT FOR SMALL GROUP DISCUSSION ONLY. HE RECALLED SOVIET PROPOSAL IN FIRST STAGE OF TALKS FOR PNE COOPERATION AND SAID US HAD STILL NOT GIVEN ITS REACTION. IT WAS DIFFICULT FOR THE SOVIET SIDE TO DISCUSS THIS SUBJECT AND THE FORM SUCH DISCUSSIONS SHOULD TAKE UNTIL US POSITION ON COOPERATION IS KNOWN. HIS PROPOSAL IN THIS REGARD WOULD DEPEND TO LARGE EXTENT UPON US ANSWER TO PROPOSAL FOR COOPERATION.

4. STOESSEL REPLIED US DOES NOT EXCLUDE CONCEPT OF COOPERATION, BUT FORM AND KIND OF COOPERATION REMAIN TO BE WORKED OUT. HOWEVER, MAIN TASK IS TO WORK OUT AGREEMENT FLOWING FROM ARTICLE III OF TTBT. IN THIS CONNECTION, VERIFICATION IS VERY IMPORTANT AND THIS MUST INCLUDE VARIOUS ASPECTS, INCLUDING DATA ACQUIRED BY OBSERVERS. FOR SOVIET SIDE TO UNDERSTAND US POSITION, US SIDE MUST PROVIDE ITS VIEWS, BUT THIS COULD BE DONE IN EITHER PLENARIES OR MORE RESTRICTED SESSIONS.

5. MOROKHOV RESPONDED THAT HE COULD NOT DICTATE FORM IN WHICH US SIDE PRESENTS VIEWS -- IF US PREFERS PLENARIES, THIS IS ACCEPTABLE. HE THEN EMPHASIZED AGAIN THAT QUESTION OF VERIFICATION DEPENDS IN LARGE MEASURE UPON ITS BASIS. THERE IS CONSIDERABLE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN SITUATION IN WHICH ONE SIDE IS CHECKING UP ON THE OTHER BY MEANS OF AN "UNPLEASANT APPARATUS" (NEPRIYATNIV APPARAT -- NOT TRANSLATED BY SOVIET INTERPRETER) AND A SITUATION OF COOPERATION AND EXCHANGE BASED ON MUTUAL TRUST. HE CONCLUDED BY SAYING IF US WISHES TO ADDRESS THIS QUESTION IN FRIDAY'S PLENARY, SOVIET SIDE IS READY TO LISTEN.

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6. STOESSEL THEN CONFIRMED US DEL WOULD DISCUSS OBSERVERS AT FRIDAY PLENARY.
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